

On motion of Mr. Fraley, and owing to the absence, through sickness, of the chairman of the committee on the condition of the Society, the discussion of the alterations in the Laws and Regulations, proposed by the committee, was again postponed to the next meeting.

The resolutions of Council, relating to the Magellanic premium, implying an alteration of the by-laws, they were laid upon the table for consideration at the next meeting; and, on motion of Mr. Fraley, were ordered to be printed for the use of the members.

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*Stated Meeting, June 17, 1859.*

Present, thirteen members.

Judge SHARSWOOD, Vice-President, in the Chair.

Letters were received, acknowledging the receipt of Nos. 57, 58 of the Proceedings, from the Society of Antiquaries, dated London, May 20, 1859; and announcing a donation for the Library, from the Royal Observatory, dated Greenwich, May 12, 1859.

The following donations for the Library were announced:—

Astronomical Jour. No. 124, 125. Cambridge.—*From Dr. Gould.*  
 Journ. Soc. Arts, Man. and Com. No. 324-331. London.—*From the Society.*

Contrib. to Palæontol. New York, by J. Hall. (16 pp.) 1855-58.  
*From the Author.*

Report, Geol. Survey, Iowa. I. II. Hall & Whitney.—*From J. Hall.*  
 Reports of Explorations . . . Pacific Ocean. X. Senate Document.  
*From U. S. Government.*

Med. News and Library. No. 198. Philada. June, 1859.—*From Blanchard & Lea.*

Quar. Jour. Chem. Soc. London. XLV.—*From the Society.*

Franklin Institute Journal. No. 6. 1859.—*From the Inst.*

Annals des Mines, liv. 1-5. 1858. Paris.—*From I. School of M.*

African Repository. No. 6. June, 1859.—*From Am. Col. Soc.*

Proceedings Amer. Antiq. Soc. April, 1859. Boston.—*From the Soc.*

Medical Heroism, an Address by J. Bell, M.D. Phila. 1859.—*From the Author.*

Report of Committee on the Internal Hygiene of Cities, appointed by the Quarantine Convention at Baltimore, April, 1858.—*From Dr. Bell.*

The death of Charles Robert Leslie, the artist, elected a member of this Society, April 21, 1836, was announced by Dr. Le Conte. He died at London, May 5, 1859, aged 65 years.

Mr. Justice described a superior microscope stand made by Mr. Zentmeyer, of Philadelphia, for and under the direction of Dr. Hunt, of Philadelphia, and embracing all the important late improvements. Dr. Le Conte added his testimony to the admirable skill of the mechanician, and supported it by referring to the stand lately made by him for Dr. Goddard, and to the stand now making for the Academy of Natural Science, which promises to be one of the best extant.

Pending nomination, No. 391, was read.

Deferred business being taken up, and the reading of the resolutions appended to the report of the committee on the condition of the Society being called for, the chair decided that the present meeting not being competent to act upon the resolutions, for want of the number required to be present by the Charter, was, therefore, not competent to discuss them by entertaining motions.

On motion of Prof. Cresson, certain amendments to the by-laws, offered by Mr. Fraley as a substitute for, was ordered to be printed with the amendments offered by the Officers and Council, and by the committee on the condition of the Society.

On motion of Mr. Foulke, the consideration of the amendments was postponed until the first stated meeting in October.

On motion of Prof. Cresson, the last motion was ordered to be attached to the printed amendments.

Dr. Coates was permitted, *nunc pro tunc*, to read a retrospective notice of John Reynell, one of the original members of the Society, with a request that it be not printed, at present, in the proceedings. On motion of Dr. F. Bache, it was, therefore, ordered to be placed among the notices of deceased members; and the Society was adjourned.